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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: INQUIRY CONCERNING HOWARD AFB COMMERCIAL
CHARTER FLIGHTS

REF: PANAMA 5275

DEPARTMENT CONCURS WITH APPROACH TAKEN BY EMBASSY IN ITS
PROPOSED REPLY NOTE. HOWEVER, FOLLOWING CHANGES IN TEXT
ARE SUGGESTED:

(A) SECOND SENTENCE SHOULD BE REVISED AS FOLLOWS: "I
WISH TO INFORM YOUR EXCELLENCY THAT THE FLIGHTS IN QUESTION
HAVE BEEN CONTRACTED FOR THE USE OF THE UNITED STATES
MILITARY AUTHORITIES IN THE CANAL ZONE, JUST AS THE US
MILITARY CONTRACTS FOR MANY SUCH FLIGHTS AROUND THE
WORLD."

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(B) THIRD SENTENCE, BETWEEN "THESE FLIGHTS..." AND "...ARE

ARRANGED...", DELETE "...UTILIZING THESE AIRCRAFT...".

(C) LAST SENTENCE BEFORE COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE SHOULD BE
REVISED AS FOLLOWS: "THUS, WHILE EASTERN AIRLINES HAS
BEEN PROVIDING FLIGHTS FOR SPECIFIC MILITARY PURPOSES,
IT HAS NOT BEEN ENGAGING IN THE BUSINESS OF PROVIDING

COMMERCIAL AIR SERVICE IN THE CANAL ZONE."

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